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dishwasher door assembly 190 is opened and closed as dishwasher 100 (shown in Figure 1) is used.

IN THE CLAIMS

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1. (once amended) A door panel assembly for a dishwasher, said door assembly comprising:  
a panel comprising a formation depending therefrom, said formation comprising a curved arch portion; and  
a seal member comprising a head portion and an opening therein complementary in shape to said formation, said formation received in said opening.
  2. (once amended) A door panel assembly in accordance with Claim 1 wherein said formation further comprises a heel portion and a toe portion, said arch portion extending between said heel portion and said toe portion.

6. (once amended) A door panel assembly in accordance with Claim 5 wherein said door panel comprises an inner door panel.

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7. (once amended) A door panel assembly in accordance with Claim 6 wherein said formation depends from a bottom portion of said inner door panel, a portion of said formation extending substantially parallel to said barrier portion.

8. (once amended) A door panel assembly for a dishwasher, said door panel assembly comprising:  
an inner door panel comprising a formation extending therefrom, said formation comprising at least one flat surface and a curved surface extending opposite said flat surface; and

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a seal member comprising a head portion and an opening therethrough, said opening receiving said formation and attaching said seal member to said formation.

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11. (once amended) A door panel assembly in accordance with Claim 10, said formation comprising a boot portion, said curved surface comprising a curved arch portion extending from said heel.

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12. A door panel assembly in accordance with Claim 8, said inner door panel further comprising a barrier portion extending therefrom in a spaced apart relationship to said formation, said flat surface of said formation extending substantially parallel to said barrier formation.

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14. (once amended) A door panel assembly comprising:

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a panel comprising a bottom portion, a formation extending therefrom, and a barrier portion extending therefrom in a spaced apart relationship to said formation; and

a seal member comprising a head portion and a flap portion extending from said head portion and contacting a distal end of said barrier portion, said head portion comprising an opening therethrough for receiving said formation, said head portion engaged to said formation.

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16. (once amended) A door panel assembly in accordance with Claim 15 wherein said formation comprises a boot portion comprising at least a curved arch surface.

17. (once amended) A door panel assembly in accordance with Claim 16 wherein said boot portion further comprises a flat edge extending substantially parallel to said barrier portion.

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#### Remarks

The Office Action mailed July 2, 2002 has been carefully reviewed and the foregoing amendment has been made in consequence thereof.

Claims 1-20 are now pending in this application. Claims 1-20 stand rejected.